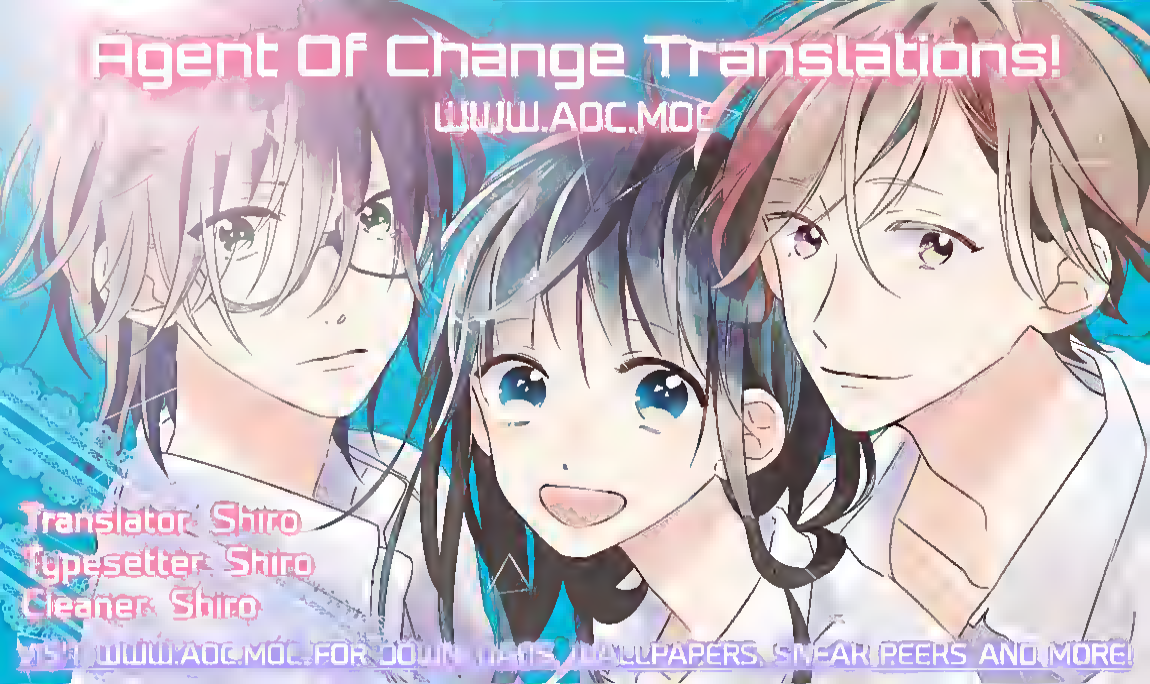
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A new place, a new life.
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Rattle
Hei

I'm Mochizuki Mako.
And this Spring, I'll be starting high school.
Kei-chan...
I'M LOST!
I bet you got carried away while taking photos as usual
That's why I said we should meet at the station.
Ugh
That only happened once! Plus I thought I'd be okay this time...
Rattle Rattle
What do you see around you?
Around me...

Fuji Park
Yeah, Fuji park.
Park?
There's a small park.
Oh, got it
I'll be right over so wait there
Eh?
bzzt
He hung up
Woo

It has a collar.
Did it escape from somewhere?
Huff Huff
A puppy..
Snap
Snap
So cute...

Sn-
ap
Ah.

I took his picture.
.....
Hey...
Jolt
Why did you take my picture without my permission?
Eh?
Delete it.
No, I was taking a-
P!-

.....
?
I WAS TAKING A PICTURE OF THE PUPPY!
RATTLE RATTLE RATTLE
RUNS
Phew, that was scary!
I only accidentally caught him in the frame he didn't have to get so angry
What a weirdo
Well, I was the one at fault, I guess
Bump
!

I'm sorry...
I told you to wait at the park, didn't I?
What would you do if we missed each other?
KEI -CHAN!
Thank god!
Heya~
Anyways,
I'm surprised your father allowed you to live away from home.

Yup, I kept telling him that professionals would be teaching our program, and that there would never be an opportunity like this again.
Mom said I'm in good hands since you're here too
Hana
Wow, that's a lot on me.
Besides,
If grandpa was still here...
He'd support my choice!
All these picture you've taken,
Did you take them for Grandpa Sakai's sake after all?
Nah,
You're exagger -ating.
My grandfather became sick and later bedridden as a result.
All while I was in 6th grade...

Will you travel and see new sights in my place?
Take pictures of things you think are interesting, and show me once in a while
That's what he had asked for.
I began to walk around with a camera hung around my neck everyday.
I was happy that doing this would bring him joy.
Then, when I started to enjoy taking photos,
My grandpa passed away.
When I lost sight of my goals,
The teacher in my photography club is absolutely fantastic~
It was something that Kei-chan, my childhood friend who is a year older, said which caught my interest.

From there, I moved to a place three and a half hours away from home by train.
You really gotta be careful.
You always go into a weird trance when you get too excited about taking pictures. It's like you don't realize that you're wandering to a different place.
You'll get lost again, like today
You'll be living under the same roof with a lot of different people from now on. You gotta get your act together.
Oh
That's what my dad said too
That being said,
This is where you'll be living.
A triangular roof...
Most of the tenants here are members of the photography club anyway.

They're an interesting bunch
I don't think you need to worry too much
So you did find her, Akahoshi-kun
Yae-san,
I was worried because you said she was lost!
Mochizuki Mako-chan, right? I've introduced myself at the screening but once again,
I'm the owner of Hasumi Manor, Hasumi Yae.
Let me know if anything troubles you!
This is your room key
Thank you, I'll be in your care from now on!

Well then, I'm off to buy groceries for lunch.
See you later!
I'll quickly explain some stuff about the manor
Okay, thanks.
Over here on the wall is the floor plan.
We use it to check which chores we're assigned too.
3
Doorway
2
2 F
WC
Bath
5
6
7
8
9
Laundry
You're in room 9, Mako.
Right across from me.
Males and females aren't separated by floor?
Nope, I think it's because the ratio of males to females are too different for each grade so they couldn't separate them.
But each room has a lock anyway
I see.
The baths and toilets are seperate though
Ladies on the first floor and men on the second

Shall we head upstairs then?
Sure
The rest are other tenants' rooms
The dinning room and living room is over there.
The baths and sinks are right in front,
And the washroom is at the back.

Creak
It smells like wood...

From now on,
I'll live here...
Here's your room, Mako

A new life...
Snap
I'll make sure I'll do my best here!

Wait,
You only brought this much with you?
Wait shelfs and desks are included
And I'll ask my family to send me my clothes for the rest of the seasons when I need them
AS LONG AS I HAVE MY CAMERA, THINGS WILL WORK OUT.
Everything in the bag is camera related.
Are you saying I'm immature?
I meant it in a good way
Ratttt
Woof
Eh?
You never change, Mako.

That's Amamura-kun, he must've asked the landlady if he could walk her dog again.
He really likes the dog
Stay still I'll take off your leash
He's from before!
The scary one
He lives here too...?
He started living here three days before you arrived.
Yeah, Amamura Mitsuru, he's in the same grade as you
Oh,
Looks like he noticed us.

Amemura -kun,
This is my childhood friend, Mochizuku Mako.
She'll be a freshmen this spring just like you, so try to get along!
……

A new beginning,

But it looks like...

Gotcha
The dinning room is on the right backside of the first floor
Why don't you unpack a bit of your luggage, and then join us?
It's almost time for lunch.

I might be off to a rough start...
Uwa!
His room was beside mine...!?
Hey,
Amemura
-kun!
Umm,
I'M SORRY FOR TAKING YOUR PICTURE WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION!

I have film camera, so I can't delete it with a few taps
Once I develope the roll of film,
I'll give you the picture.
I don't want to make things awkward...
Since we'll be living together,
I don't like photos.
So do whatever you need to get rid of it.
.....
Okay
Tap Tap Tap

You can grab any tableware from the shelf.
Yae-san prepares the food for us,
We just take what we want to eat, buffet style.
I see.
Remember to put your plate on your own trays.
There's only three of us living here?
Where are the others?
They're back home right now
Ohh.
By the way Amemura -kun, where are you from?

I wanted to go up North...
North?
.....
Tokyo.
Huh?
Why did you pick a school in Hokkaido then?
You even have to dorm
What about you then?
You invited your childhood friend to enroll in a school far away, it's odd.
You're not the same age either
Yeah, I did invite Mako.
When we were little,
Mako's grandfather taught us how to use the camera.
And we've been hooked ever since.
I was told that a professional who happens to be an alumnus of Asahi high school will be teaching photography.
And so I picked Asahi high

Really?
I HAVE ZERO INTEREST.
Oh,
Why don't you join the photography club if you're interested?
.....
What's wrong?
Mako?
Hmm...
Oh...
It's nothing

Is he still mad at me?

Omochi, Male, 6 years old
The landlady's pet
A little idol who roams freely inside the manor
Oh umm,
Omochi here looks peacefully asleep,
So I wanted to take a picture of him on the same eye level
Hehe
You still didn't have to block the stairs
My grandpa once told me,

You want to capture the moment your subject moves your heart
Make sure you remember this feeling
And don't let the chance slip away
That's what he said.
His name is Mochizuki Sakae, he has a few art books published too
Ah,
My grandpa was a pro -fessional photogra -pher.

Here you go.
What is it?
?
Wait there for a bit!
?
AH!
Jolt
I just developed it.
You told me to get rid of it,
But I thought it'd be rude to throw out something with your face on it.
Plus I thought you wouldn't like it if I kept it for myself

Amemura-kun?
Nothing...
IT'S VERY WELL TAKEN.
Snap

YOU...
DELETE
GIVE ME THE CAMERA.
I'LL TAKE THE WHOLE ROLL OF FILM FROM YOU..!
Crap
WE-
WELL, UHM ..
OH.
My hands moved on their own..
YOU HAD A GREAT SMILE...!

You can't even see my face..
Yeah, I can't.
But I meant the overall com-position was good.
.....
?
Tch..
He tsked at me...
I'll keep this one since Omochi is in it.
But the one you just took...

Okay...
YOU BETTER THROW IT OUT THIS TIME.
I've...

I'VE DONE IT AGAIN!

Now it's back to square one with Amemura-kun

Mako-chan!
?
Yes?
I'm sorry, the heater for the bathe on the first floor seems to have broken down.
I'll have someone come in tomorrow to fix it can you talk to Akahoshi-kun and Amemura-kun to workout a time you can use the baths on the second floor for tonight?
Okay, I'll do that

Knock knock
Come in!
Kei -chan,
The baths on the first floor are broken, so Yae-san told me to use the one up here tonight
Really?
You can go ahead and use it first then
I went to finish reading this section, it's getting to the good part.
I see,
I'll use it now then
Sure thing~
Bath time~
Bath time~
Bath ti
Kerchack

I'm-
I'm-

I'm sorry...
It's someone I don't know.
Clack
I didn't realize another tenant arrived.
Huh!?
WHY DID YOU COME IN AGAIN!?
That voice,
I knew it!

I didn't know you were so handsome!
Surprised
.....
You should keep your bangs up...
I don't...
Amemura -kun?

I don't like my own face.
WHAT A WASTE.
Are his annoyingly long bangs,
And super thick glasses, all for the sake of hiding his face?
Stop staring at me...

I want to capture Amemura-kun in my photos.

Okay, I won't capture your face!
WHAT?
There's no rule saying that you have to capture faces in portraits
You've got a good body!
I could take back facing pictures,
Or just snaps of your arms or legs!
Would that be okay?
What I want to capture, is the moment the subject moves my heart.

NO WAY IN HELL!
Please reconsider!
I don't...
NEVER!
Want to let this chance slip away.
Sorry Mako,
Kerchack

I forgot Amemura-kun was already in here...
I hope you don't run into him in the changing area...
Or did that already hap-
-pen...

At any rate...

Are you stealing his clothes...?

My new life will begin.